





### Local Government Energy Audit Report

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# **TRC** Disclaimer

The goal of this audit report is to identify potential energy efficiency opportunities and help prioritize specific measures for implementation. Most energy conservation measures have received preliminary analysis of feasibility that identifies expected ranges of savings and costs. This level of analysis is usually considered sufficient to establish a basis for further discussion and to help prioritize energy measures.

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Incentive values provided in this report are estimated based on previously run state efficiency programs. Incentive levels are not guaranteed. The NJBPU reserves the right to extend, modify, or terminate programs without prior notice. Please review all available utility program incentives and eligibility requirements prior to selecting and installing any energy conservation measures.

The customer and their respective contractor(s) are responsible to implement energy conservation measures in complete conformance with all applicable local, state, and federal requirements.

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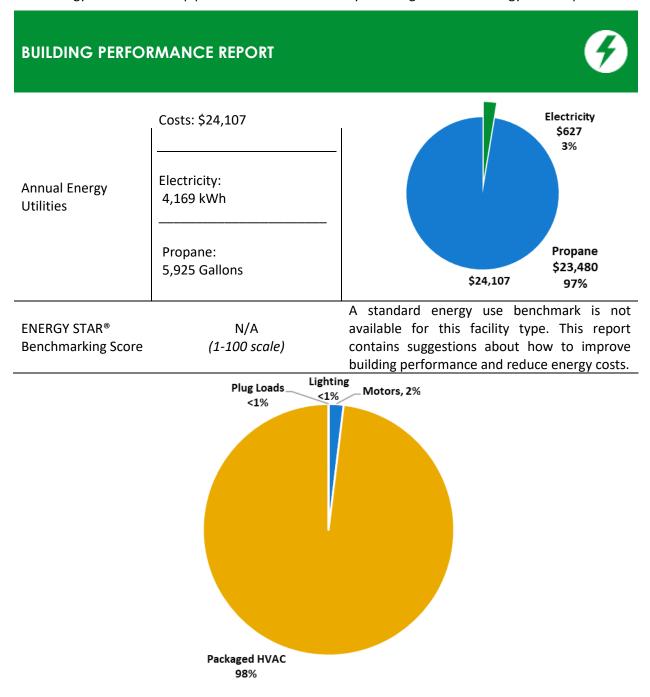


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### TRC 1 Executive Summary



The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) has sponsored this Local Government Energy Audit (LGEA) report for Greenhouses #1, 2, and 3. This report provides you with information about your facility's energy use, identifies energy conservation measures (ECMs) that can reduce your energy use, and provides information and assistance to help make changes in your facility. TRC conducted this study as part of a comprehensive effort to assist New Jersey school districts and local governments in controlling their energy costs and to help protect our environment by reducing statewide energy consumption.



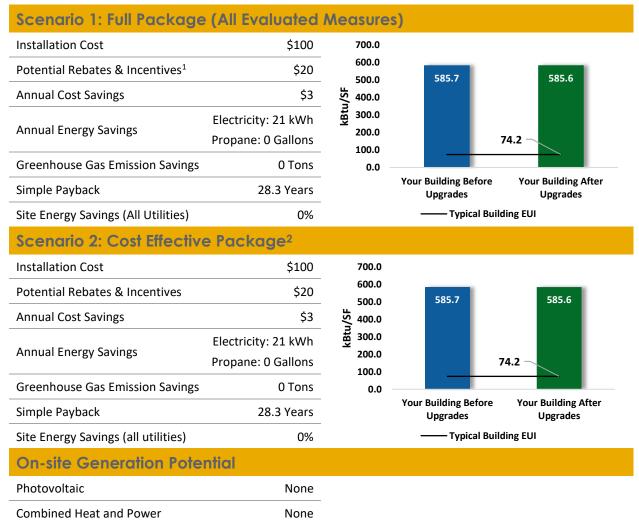
Energy Use by System



### **POTENTIAL IMPROVEMENTS**



This energy audit considered a range of potential energy improvements in your building. Costs and savings will vary between improvements. Presented below are two potential scopes of work for your consideration.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Incentives are based on previously run state rebate programs. Contact your utility provider for current program incentives that may apply.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> A cost-effective measure is defined as one where the simple payback does not exceed two-thirds of the expected proposed equipment useful life. Simple payback is based on the net measure cost after potential incentives.

#	Energy Conservation Measure	Cost Effective?	Annual Electric Savings (kWh)		Annual Fuel Savings (MMBtu)	Annual Energy Cost Savings (\$)		Estimated Incentive (\$)*	Estimated Net M&L Cost (\$)		CO₂e Emissions Reduction (lbs)
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\* - All incentives presented in this table are included as placeholders for planning purposes and are based on previously run state rebate programs. Contact your utility provider for details on current programs.

\*\* - Simple Payback Period is based on net measure costs (i.e. after incentives).

All Evaluated Energy Improvements<sup>3</sup>

For more detail on each evaluated energy improvement and a break out of cost-effective improvements, see Section 4: Energy Conservation Measures.



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### 1.1 Planning Your Project

Careful planning makes for a successful energy project. When considering this scope of work, you will have some decision to make, such as:

- How will the project be funded/and or financed?
- Is it best to pursue individual ECMs, groups of ECMs, or use a comprehensive approach where all ECMs are installed together?
- Are there other facility improvements that should happen at the same time?

### **Pick Your Installation Approach**

Utility-run energy efficiency programs and New Jersey's Clean Energy Programs, give you the flexibility to do a little or a lot. Rebates, incentives, and financing are available to help reduce both your installation costs and your energy bills. If you are planning to take advantage of these programs, make sure to review incentive program guidelines before proceeding. This is important because in most cases you will need to submit applications for the incentives <u>before</u> purchasing materials or starting installation.

### **Options from Your Utility Company**

### Prescriptive and Custom Rebates

For facilities wishing to pursue only selected individual measures (or planning to phase implementation of selected measures over multiple years), incentives are available through the Prescriptive and Custom Rebates program. To participate, you can use internal resources or an outside firm or contractor to perform the final design of the ECM(s) and install the equipment. Program pre-approval may be required for some incentives. Contact your utility company for more details prior to project installation.

### Direct Install

The Direct Install program provides turnkey installation of multiple measures through an authorized contractor. This program can provide incentives up to 70% or 80% of the cost of selected measures. A Direct Install contractor will assess and verify individual measure eligibility and perform the installation work. The Direct Install program is available to sites with an average peak demand of less than 200 kW.

#### **Engineered Solutions**

The Engineered Solutions program provides tailored energy-efficiency assistance and turnkey engineering services to municipalities, universities, schools, hospitals, and healthcare facilities (MUSH), non-profit entities, and multifamily buildings. The program provides all professional services from audit, design, construction administration, to commissioning and measurement and verification for custom whole-building energy-efficiency projects. Engineered Solutions allows you to install as many measures as possible under a single project as well as address measures that may not qualify for other programs.

For more details on these programs please contact your utility provider.





### **Options from New Jersey's Clean Energy Program**

#### Financing and Planning Support with the Energy Savings Improvement Program (ESIP)

For larger facilities with limited capital availability to implement ECMs, project financing may be available through the ESIP. Supported directly by the NJBPU, ESIP provides government agencies with project development, design, and implementation support services, as well as attractive financing for implementing ECMs. You have already taken the first step as an LGEA customer, because this report is *required to participate in ESIP*.

#### Resiliency with Return on Investment through Combined Heat and Power (CHP)

The CHP program provides incentives for combined heat and power (i.e., cogeneration) and waste heat to power projects. Combined heat and power systems generate power on-site and recover heat from the generation system to meet on-site thermal loads. Waste heat to power systems use waste heat to generate power. You will work with a qualified developer who will design a system that meets your building's heating and cooling needs.

#### Successor Solar Incentive Program (SuSI)

New Jersey is committed to supporting solar energy. Solar projects help the state reach the renewable goals outlined in the state's Energy Master Plan. The SuSI program is used to register and certify solar projects in New Jersey. Rebates are not available, but certified solar projects are able to earn one SREC II (Solar Renewable Energy Certificates II) for each megawatt-hour of solar electricity produced from a qualifying solar facility.

#### Ongoing Electric Savings with Demand Response

The Demand Response Energy Aggregator program reduces electric loads at commercial facilities when wholesale electricity prices are high or when the reliability of the electric grid is threatened due to peak power demand. By enabling commercial facilities to reduce electric demand during times of peak demand, the grid is made more reliable, and overall transmission costs are reduced for all ratepayers. Curtailment service providers provide regular payments to medium and large consumers of electric power for their participation in demand response (DR) programs. Program participation is voluntary, and facilities receive payments regardless of whether they are called upon to curtail their load during times of peak demand.

#### Large Energy User Program (LEUP)

LEUP is designed to promote self-investment in energy efficiency for the largest energy consumers in the state. Customers in this category spend about \$5 million a year on energy bills. This program incentivizes owners/users of buildings to upgrade or install energy conserving measures in existing buildings to help offset the capital costs associated with the project. The efficiency upgrades are customized to meet the requirements of the customers' existing facilities, while advancing the State's energy efficiency, conservation, and greenhouse gas reduction goals.

For more details on these programs please visit New Jersey's Clean Energy Program website.





# **TRC**2 Existing Conditions

The New Jersey Board of Public Utilities (NJBPU) has sponsored this Local Government Energy Audit (LGEA) report for Greenhouses #1, #2, and #3. This report provides information on how your facility uses energy, identifies energy conservation measures (ECMs) that can reduce your energy use, and provides information and assistance to help you implement the ECMs.

TRC conducted this study as part of a comprehensive effort to assist New Jersey educational and local government facilities in controlling energy costs and protecting our environment by offering a wide range of energy management options and advice.

### 2.1 Site Overview

On December 6, 2023, TRC performed an energy audit at Greenhouses #1, #2, and #3 located in Woodbine, New Jersey. TRC met with Juan Perez to review the facility operations and help focus our investigation on specific energy-using systems.

Woodbine Developmental Center (WDC), founded in 1921, is located on 250 acres of land in Woodbine, Cape May County. WDC provides a wide range of habilitation, behavioral and medical services and supports to people with developmental disabilities. Greenhouses #1, #2, and #3 are single-story, 951 square-foot buildings built in 1968. They share a propane tank.

### 2.2 Building Occupancy

Building Name	Weekday/Weekend	Operating Schedule
Greenhouse #1	Weekday	Intermittent
Greenhouse #1	Weekend	Intermittent
Greenhouse #2	Weekday	Intermittent
Greenhouse #2	Weekend	Intermittent
Greenhouse #3	Weekday	Intermittent
Greenhouse #5	Weekend	Intermittent

The facility is occupied intermittently, as needed for maintenance and operations.

Building Occupancy Schedule

### 2.3 Building Envelope

All three greenhouses are made of metal rods and plastic tarps with wooden doors that are in fair condition. Door seals are worn.











Side of Greenhouse #1

### 2.4 Lighting Systems

Greenhouse #2 is equipped with two suspended fluorescent fixtures equipped with 32-Watt linear fluorescent T8 lamps, in fair condition. Interior lighting levels were generally sufficient. Lighting fixtures are controlled by wall switches. Greenhouses #1 and #3 do not have interior electric lighting.



Fluorescent T8 Fixture



## 2.5 Air Handling Systems

### Unitary Electric HVAC Equipment

Cooling for Greenhouse #2 is provided by two window air conditioning (AC) units. These vary in capacity between 0.3 and 1 tons. The units are in fair condition. They range in efficiency between 10 and 11 EER. They are not ENERGY STAR labeled. Additional cooling for Greenhouse #2 is provided by two water cooled evaporative coolers.





Window AC Unit

Evaporator Cooler

### Unitary Heating Equipment

Each greenhouse is heated by unit heaters. Greenhouse #1 and #3 use propane-fired units, each with a heating capacity of about 100 MBh.

Greenhouse #2 is equipped with two electric resistance heaters, each rated at 7.5 kW.

The units are in fair condition. Equipment is controlled by a manual dial thermostat.

Horticultural temperature and humidity requirements vary widely and an assessment of them at this site is outside the scope of this study. We recommend that space conditioning systems and associated controls be evaluated when upgrades are planned for this group of facilities.



Greenhouse #1 Unit Heater-Propane



Greenhouse #2 Unit Heater-Electric



## **TRC**2.6 Plug Loads

The location is doing a great job managing the electrical plug loads. This report makes additional suggestions for ECMs in this area as well as energy efficient best practices.

Plug loads include a fan at each of the greenhouses.



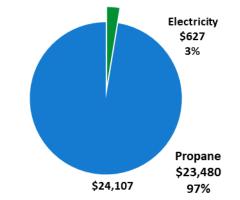
Small Fan



# **TRC**3 Energy Use and Costs

Twelve months of utility billing data are used to develop annual energy consumption and cost data. This information creates a profile of the annual energy consumption and energy costs.

Utility Summary								
Fuel	Usage	Cost						
Electricity	4,169 kWh	\$627						
Propane	5,925 Gallons	\$23,480						
Total	Total							

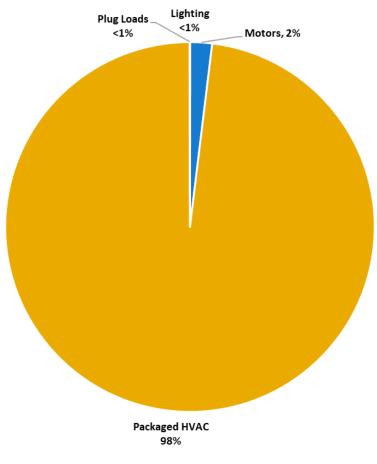


An energy balance identifies and quantifies energy use in your various building systems. This can highlight areas with the most potential for improvement. This energy balance was developed using calculated energy use for each of the end uses noted in the figure.

The energy auditor collects information regarding equipment operating hours, capacity, efficiency, and other operational parameters from facility staff, drawings, and on-site observations. This information is used as the inputs to calculate the existing conditions energy use for the site. The calculated energy use is then compared to the historical energy use and the initial inputs are revised, as necessary, to balance the calculated energy use to the historical energy use.





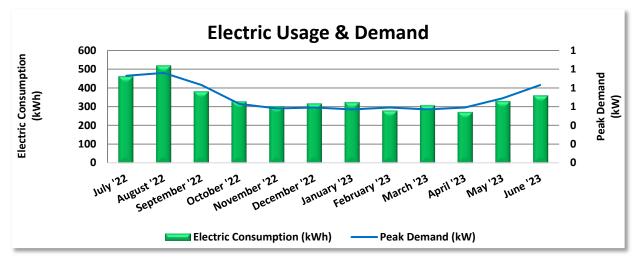


Energy Balance by System



### 3.1 Electricity

Atlantic City Electric delivers electricity under rate class Annual General Service Primary, with electric production provided by Constellation, a third-party supplier.



	Electric Billing Data									
Period Ending	Usage		Demand (kW)	Demand Cost	Total Electric Cost					
7/28/22	29	460	0.9		\$66					
8/30/22	33	517	1.0		\$73					
9/29/22	30	380	0.8		\$56					
10/30/22	31	327	0.6		\$48					
11/29/22	30	301	0.6		\$46					
12/29/22	30	316	0.6		\$47					
1/30/23	32	323	0.6		\$50					
2/27/23	28	279	0.6		\$43					
3/30/23	31	307	0.6		\$48					
4/27/23	28	271	0.6		\$42					
5/30/23	33	329	0.7		\$51					
6/29/23	30	359	0.8		\$57					
Totals	365	4,169	1.0	\$0	\$627					
Annual	365	4,169	1.0	\$0	\$627					

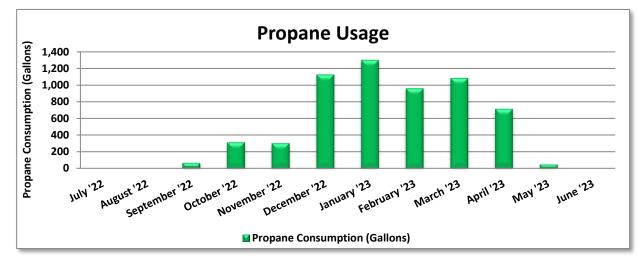
### Notes:

- An estimated peak demand of 1 kW occurred in August '22.
- An estimated average demand over the past 12 months was 1 kW.
- This building is served from the main campus electric meter along with several others. Energy usage (kWh) and demand (kW) was apportioned among those buildings using a formula that accounts for building area (sf), usage, and the energy intensity of the equipment.
- The estimated average electric cost over the past 12 months was \$0.150/kWh, which is the blended rate that includes energy supply, distribution, demand, and other charges. This report uses this blended rate to estimate energy cost savings.



### 3.2 Propane

Suburban Propane delivers propane to the project site.



	Propane Billing Data									
Period Ending	Days in Period	Propane Usage (Gallons)	Fuel Cost							
7/28/22	29	0	\$0							
8/30/22	33	0	\$0							
9/29/22	30	69	\$289							
10/30/22	31	317	\$1,311							
11/29/22	30	305	\$1,270							
12/29/22	30	1,126	\$4,459							
1/30/23	32	1,301	\$5,128							
2/27/23	28	960	\$3,768							
3/30/23	31	1,083	\$4,241							
4/27/23	28	715	\$2,805							
5/30/23	33	49	\$209							
6/29/23	30	0	\$0							
Totals			\$23,480							
Annual	365	5,925	\$23,480							

Notes:

- Propane is delivered to a tank outside of Greenhouse 1.
- The estimated average Propane cost for the past 12 months is \$3.963/Gallon, which is the blended rate used throughout the analysis.
- The data represented in the chart is for propane deliveries. Deliveries do not necessarily correspond to periods of use.



### 3.3 Benchmarking

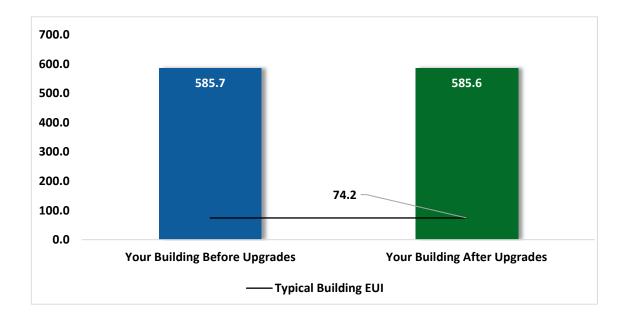
Your building was benchmarked using the United States Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) Portfolio Manager<sup>®</sup> software. Benchmarking compares your building's energy use to that of similar buildings across the country, while neutralizing variations due to location, occupancy, and operating hours. Some building types can be scored with a 1-100 ranking of a building's energy performance relative to the national building market. A score of 50 represents the national average and a score of 100 is best.

This ENERGY STAR benchmarking score provides a comprehensive snapshot of your building's energy performance. It assesses the building's physical assets, operations, and occupant behavior, which is compiled into a quick and easy-to-understand score.

### **Benchmarking Score**

N/A

Due to its unique characteristics, this building type is not able to receive a benchmarking score. This report contains suggestions about how to improve building performance and reduce energy costs.



Energy Use Intensity Comparison<sup>4</sup>

Energy use intensity (EUI) measures energy consumption per square foot and is the standard metric for comparing buildings' energy performance. A lower EUI means better performance and less energy consumed. Several factors can cause a building to vary from typical energy usage. Local weather conditions, building age and insulation levels, equipment efficiency, daily occupancy hours, changes in occupancy throughout the year, equipment operating hours, and occupant behavior all contribute to a building's energy use and the benchmarking score.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Based on all evaluated ECMs





### Tracking your Energy Performance

Keeping track of your energy and water use on a monthly basis is one of the best ways to keep utility costs in check and keep your facility operating efficiently. Update your utility information in Portfolio Manager regularly, so that you can keep track of your building's performance.

### We have created a Portfolio Manager account for your facility and have already entered the monthly utility data shown above for you. Account login information for your account will be sent via email.

Free online training is available to help you use ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager to track your building's performance at: <u>https://www.energystar.gov/buildings/training.</u>

For more information on ENERGY STAR and Portfolio Manager, visit their website.

### 3.4 Understanding Your Utility Bills

The State of New Jersey Department of the Public Advocate provides detailed information on how to read natural gas and electric bills. Your bills contain important information including account numbers, meter numbers, rate schedules, meter readings, and the supply and delivery charges. Gas and electric bills both provide comparisons of current energy consumption with prior usage.

Sample bills, with annotation, may be viewed at: <u>https://www.nj.gov/rpa/docs/Understanding\_Electric\_Bill.pdf</u> <u>https://www.nj.gov/rpa/docs/Understanding\_Gas\_Bill.pdf</u>

#### Why Utility Bills Vary

Utility bills vary from one month to another for many reasons. For this reason, assessing the effects of your energy savings efforts can be difficult.

Billing periods vary, typically ranging between 28 and 33 days. Electric bills provide the kilowatt-hours (kWh) used per month while gas bills provide therms (or hundreds of cubic feet - CCF) per month consumption information. Monthly consumption information can be helpful as a tool to assess your efforts to reduce energy, particularly when compared to monthly usage from a similar calendar period in a prior year.

Bills typically vary seasonally, often with more gas consumed in the winter for heating, and more electricity used in the summer when air conditioning is used. Facilities with electric heating may experience higher electricity use in the winter. Seasonal variance will be impacted by the type of heating and cooling systems used. Normal seasonal fluctuations are further impacted by the weather. Extremely cold or hot weathers causes HVAC equipment to run longer, increasing usage. Other monthly fluctuations in usage can be caused by changes in building occupancy. Utility bills provide a comparison of usage between the current period and comparable billing month period of the prior year. Year-to-year monthly use comparisons can point to trends with energy savings for measures/projects that were implemented within the timeframe, but these comparisons do not account for changing weather of occupancy patterns.

The price of fuel and purchased power used to produce and delivery electricity and gas fluctuates. Any increase or decrease in these costs will be reflected in your monthly bill. Additionally, billing rates occasionally change after justification and approval of the NJBPU. For this reason, it is more useful to review energy use rather than cost when assessing energy use trends or the impact of energy conservation measures implemented.



### **4 ENERGY CONSERVATION MEASURES**

The goal of this audit report is to identify and evaluate potential energy efficiency improvements and provide information about the cost effectiveness of those improvements. Most energy conservation measures have received preliminary analysis of feasibility, which identifies expected ranges of savings. This level of analysis is typically sufficient to demonstrate project cost-effectiveness and help prioritize energy measures.

Calculations of energy use and savings are based on the current version of the *New Jersey's Clean Energy Program Protocols to Measure Resource Savings*, which is approved by the NJBPU. Further analysis or investigation may be required to calculate more precise savings based on specific circumstances.

Operation and maintenance costs for the proposed new equipment will generally be lower than the current costs for the existing equipment—especially if the existing equipment is at or past its normal useful life. We have conservatively assumed there to be no impact on overall maintenance costs over the life of the equipment.

Financial incentives in this report are based on the previously run state rebate program SmartStart, which has been retired. Now, all investor-owned gas and electric utility companies are offering complementary energy efficiency programs directly to their customers. Some measures and proposed upgrades may be eligible for higher incentives than those shown below. The incentives in the summary tables should be used for high-level planning purposes. To verify incentives, reach out to your utility provider or visit the <u>NJCEP website</u> for more information.

For a detailed list of the locations and recommended energy conservation measures for all inventoried equipment, see Appendix A: Equipment Inventory & Recommendations.

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All Evaluated ECMs







### 4.1 Lighting

#	Energy Conservation Measure			Annual Fuel Savings (MMBtu)	Annual Energy Cost Savings (\$)	Estimated M&L Cost (\$)	Estimated Incentive (\$)*	Estimated Net M&L Cost (\$)		CO <sub>2</sub> e Emissions Reduction (Ibs)
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When considering lighting upgrades, we suggest using a comprehensive design approach that simultaneously upgrades lighting fixtures and controls to maximize energy savings and improve occupant lighting. Comprehensive design will also consider appropriate lighting levels for different space types to make sure that the right amount of light is delivered where needed. If conversion to LED light sources is proposed, we suggest converting all of a specific lighting type (e.g., linear fluorescent) to LED lamps to minimize the number of lamp types in use at the facility, which should help reduce future maintenance costs.

### ECM 1: Retrofit Fixtures with LED Lamps

We evaluated replacing fluorescent lamps with LED lamps. Many LED tubes are direct replacements for existing fluorescent tubes and can be installed while leaving the fluorescent fixture ballast in place. LED lamps can be used in existing fixtures as a direct replacement for most other lighting technologies. Be sure to specify replacement lamps that are compatible with existing dimming controls, where applicable. In some circumstances, you may need to upgrade your dimming system for optimum performance.

This measure saves energy by installing LEDs, which use less power than other lighting technologies yet provide equivalent lighting output for the space. Maintenance savings may also be available, as longer-lasting LEDs lamps will not need to be replaced as often as the existing lamps.

Affected Building Areas: greenhouse #2



### **TRC** 5 ENERGY EFFICIENT BEST PRACTICES

A whole building maintenance plan will extend equipment life; improve occupant comfort, health, and safety; and reduce energy and maintenance costs.

Operation and maintenance (O&M) plans enhance the operational efficiency of HVAC and other energy intensive systems and could save 5% –20% of the energy usage in your building without substantial capital investment. A successful plan includes your records of energy usage trends and costs, building equipment lists, current maintenance practices, and planned capital upgrades, and it incorporates your ideas for improved building operation. Your plan will address goals for energy-efficient operation, provide detail on how to reach the goals, and outline procedures for measuring and reporting whether goals have been achieved.

You may already be doing some of these things—see our list below for potential additions to your maintenance plan. Be sure to consult with qualified equipment specialists for details on proper maintenance and system operation.

### Energy Tracking with ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager



You've heard it before—you cannot manage what you do not measure. ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager is an online tool that you can use to measure and track energy and water consumption, as well as greenhouse gas emissions<sup>5</sup>. Your account has already been established. Now you can continue to keep tabs on your energy performance every month.

### **Weatherization**

Caulk or weather strip leaky doors and windows to reduce drafts and loss of heated or cooled air. Sealing cracks and openings can reduce heating and cooling costs, improve building durability, and create a healthier indoor environment. Materials used may include caulk, polyurethane foam, and other weatherstripping materials. There is an energy savings opportunity by reducing the uncontrolled air exchange between the outside and inside of the building. Blower door assisted comprehensive building air sealing will reduce the amount of air exchange, which will in turn reduce the load on the buildings heating and cooling equipment, providing energy savings and increased occupant comfort.

### **Doors and Windows**

Close exterior doors and windows in heated and cooled areas. Leaving doors and windows open leads to a loss of heat during the winter and chilled air during the summer. Reducing air changes per hour can lead to increased occupant comfort as well as heating and cooling savings, especially when combined with proper HVAC controls and adequate ventilation.

### Window Treatments/Coverings

Use high-reflectivity films or cover windows with shades or shutters to reduce solar heat gain and reduce the load on cooling and heating systems. Older, single-pane windows and east- or west-facing windows are especially prone to solar heat gain. In addition, use shades or shutters at night during cold weather to reduce heat loss.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> <u>https://www.energystar.gov/buildings/facility-owners-and-managers/existing-buildings/use-portfolio-manager</u>







Clean lamps, reflectors and lenses of dirt, dust, oil, and smoke buildup every six to twelve months. Light levels decrease over time due to lamp aging, lamp and ballast failure, and buildup of dirt and dust. Together, this can reduce total light output by up to 60% while still drawing full power.

In addition to routine cleaning, developing a maintenance schedule can ensure that maintenance is performed regularly, and it can reduce the overall cost of fixture re-lamping and re-ballasting. Group re-lamping and re-ballasting maintains lighting levels and minimizes the number of site visits by a lighting technician or contractor, decreasing the overall cost of maintenance.

### **Motor Controls**

Electric motors often run unnecessarily, and this is an overlooked opportunity to save energy. These motors should be identified and turned off when appropriate. For example, exhaust fans often run unnecessarily when ventilation requirements are already met. Whenever possible, use automatic devices such as twist timers or occupancy sensors to turn off motors when they are not needed.

### Motor Maintenance

Motors have many moving parts. As these parts degrade over time, the efficiency of the motor is reduced. Routine maintenance prevents damage to motor components. Routine maintenance should include cleaning surfaces and ventilation openings on motors to prevent overheating, lubricating moving parts to reduce friction, inspecting belts and pulleys for wear and to ensure they are at proper alignment and tension, and cleaning and lubricating bearings. Consult a licensed technician to assess these and other motor maintenance strategies.

### AC System Evaporator/Condenser Coil Cleaning

Dirty evaporator and condenser coils restrict air flow and restrict heat transfer. This increases the loads on the evaporator and condenser fan and decreases overall cooling system performance. Keeping the coils clean allows the fans and cooling system to operate more efficiently.

#### Furnace Maintenance

Preventative maintenance can extend the life of the system, maintain energy efficiency, and ensure safe operation. Following the manufacturer's instructions, a yearly tune-up should check for gas / carbon monoxide leaks; change the air and fuel filters; check components for cracks, corrosion, dirt, or debris build-up; ensure the ignition system is working properly; test and adjust operation and safety controls; inspect electrical connections; and lubricate motors and bearings.

#### **Procurement Strategies**

Purchasing efficient products reduces energy costs without compromising quality. Consider modifying your procurement policies and language to require ENERGY STAR products where available.



# KATER BEST PRACTICES

### **Getting Started**



The commercial and institutional sector is the second largest consumer of publicly supplied water in the United States, accounting for 17% of the withdrawals from public water supplies<sup>6</sup>. In New Jersey, excluding water used for power generation, approximately 80% of total water use was attributed to potable supply during the period of 2009 to 2018. Water withdrawals for potable supply have not changed noticeably during the period from 1990 to 2018<sup>7</sup>.

Water management planning serves as the foundation for any successful water reduction effort. It is the first step a commercial or institutional facility owner or manager should take to achieve and sustain long-term water savings. Understanding how water is used within a facility is critical for the water management planning process. A water assessment provides a comprehensive account of all known water uses at the facility. It allows the water management team to establish a baseline from which progress and program success can be measured. It also enables the water management team to set achievable goals and identify and prioritize specific projects based on the relative savings opportunities and project cost-effectiveness.

Water conservation devices may significantly reduce your water and sewer usage costs. Any reduction in water use reduces grid-level electricity use since a significant amount of electricity is used to treat and deliver water from reservoirs to end users.

For more information regarding water conservation or additional details regarding the practices shown below go to the EPA's WaterSense website<sup>8</sup> or download a copy of EPA's "WaterSense at Work: Best Management Practices for Commercial and Institutional Facilities"<sup>9</sup> to get ideas for creating a water management plan and best practices for a wide range of water using systems.

### Leak Detection and Repair

Identifying and repairing leaks and other water use anomalies within a facility's water distribution system or from processes or equipment can keep a facility from wasting significant quantities of water. Examples of common leaks include leaking toilets and faucets, drip irrigation malfunctions, stuck float valves, and broken distribution lines. Reading meters, installing failure abatement technologies, and conducting visual and auditory inspections are important best practices to detect leaks. Train building occupants, employees, and visitors to report any leaks that they detect. To reduce unnecessary water loss, detected leaks should be repaired quickly. Repairing leaks in water distribution that is pressurized by on-site pumps or in heated or chilled water piping will also reduce energy use.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Estimated from analyzing data in: <u>Solley, Wayne B, et al</u>, "Estimated Use of Water in the United States in 1995", <u>U.S Geological Suvey Circular 1200, (1998)</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> <u>https://dep.nj.gov/wp-content/uploads/dsr/trends-water-supply.pdf</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> <u>https://www.epa.gov/watersense</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> https://www.epa.gov/watersense/watersense-work-0

### **TRC** 7 ON-SITE GENERATION



You don't have to look far in New Jersey to see one of the thousands of solar electric systems providing clean power to homes, businesses, schools, and government buildings. On-site generation includes both renewable (e.g., solar, wind) and non-renewable (e.g., fuel cells) technologies that generate power to meet all or a portion of the facility's electric energy needs. Also referred to as distributed generation, these systems contribute to greenhouse gas (GHG) emission reductions, demand reductions, and reduced customer electricity purchases, which results in improved electric grid reliability through better use of transmission and distribution systems.

Preliminary screenings were performed to determine if an on-site generation measure could be a costeffective solution for your facility. Before deciding to install an on-site generation system, we recommend conducting a feasibility study to analyze existing energy profiles, siting, interconnection, and the costs associated with the generation project including interconnection costs, departing load charges, and any additional special facilities charges.



### 7.1 Solar Photovoltaic

Photovoltaic (PV) panels convert sunlight into electricity. Individual panels are combined into an array that produces direct current (DC) electricity. The DC current is converted to alternating current (AC) through an inverter. The inverter is then connected to the building's electrical distribution system.

A campus wide screening based on the facility's demand, combined available spaces, and shading elements has been included in the report for Power House.

### Successor Solar Incentive Program (SuSI)

The SuSI program replaces the SREC Registration Program (SRP) and the Transition Incentive (TI) program. The SuSI program is used to register and certify solar projects in New Jersey. Rebates are not available for solar projects. Solar projects may qualify to earn SREC- IIs (Solar Renewable Energy Certificates-II), however, the project owners must register their solar projects prior to the start of construction to establish the project's eligibility.

Get more information about solar power in New Jersey or find a qualified solar installer who can help you decide if solar is right for your building:

- Successor Solar Incentive Program (SuSI): <u>https://www.njcleanenergy.com/renewable-energy/programs/susi-program</u>
- Basic Info on Solar PV in NJ: <u>http://www.njcleanenergy.com/whysolar</u>
- NJ Solar Market FAQs: <u>ww.njcleanenergy.com/renewable-energy/program-updates-and-background-information/solar-transition/solar-market-faqs</u>
- Approved Solar Installers in the NJ Market: <u>http://www.njcleanenergy.com/commercial-industrial/programs/nj-smartstart-buildings/tools-and-resources/tradeally/approved\_vendorsearch/?id=60&start=1
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### **TRC** 7.2 Combined Heat and Power

Combined heat and power (CHP) generates electricity at the facility and puts waste heat energy to good use. Common types of CHP systems are reciprocating engines, microturbines, fuel cells, backpressure steam turbines, and (at large facilities) gas turbines.

CHP systems typically produce a portion of the electric power used on-site, with the balance of electric power needs supplied by the local utility company. The heat is used to supplement (or replace) existing boilers and provide space heating and/or domestic hot water heating. Waste heat can also be routed through absorption chillers for space cooling.

The key criteria used for screening is the amount of time that the CHP system would operate at full load and the facility's ability to use the recovered heat. Facilities with a continuous need for large quantities of waste heat are the best candidates for CHP.

A preliminary screening based on heating and electrical demand, siting, and interconnection has been included in the report for the Power House.

Find a qualified firm that specializes in commercial CHP cost assessment and installation: <a href="http://www.njcleanenergy.com/commercial-industrial/programs/nj-smartstart-buildings/tools-and-resources/tradeally/approved\_vendorsearch/">http://www.njcleanenergy.com/commercial-industrial/programs/nj-smartstart-buildings/tools-and-resources/tradeally/approved\_vendorsearch/</a>

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# **TRC**8 ELECTRIC VEHICLES

All electric vehicles (EVs) have an electric motor instead of an internal combustion engine. EVs function by plugging into a charge point, taking electricity from the grid, and then storing it in rechargeable batteries. Although electricity production may contribute to air pollution, the U.S. EPA categorizes allelectric vehicles as zero-emission vehicles because they produce no direct exhaust or tailpipe emissions.

EVs are typically more expensive than similar conventional and hybrid vehicles, although some cost can be recovered through fuel savings, federal tax credit, or state incentives

### 8.1 EV Charging

EV charging stations provide a means for electric vehicle operators to recharge their batteries at a facility. While many EV drivers charge at home, others do not have access to regular home charging, and the ability to charge at work or in public locations is critical to making EVs practical for more drivers. Charging can also be used for electric fleet vehicles, which can reduce fuel and maintenance costs for fleets that replace gas or diesel vehicles with EVs.

EV charging comes in three main types. For this assessment, the screening considers addition of Level 2 charging, which is most common at workplaces and other public locations. Depending on the site type

and usage, other levels of charging power may be more appropriate.

The preliminary assessment of EV charging at the facility shows that there is medium potential for adding EV chargers to the facility's parking, based on potential costs of installation and other site factors.

The primary costs associated with installing EV charging are the charger hardware and the cost to extend power from the facility to parking spaces. This may include upgrades to electric panels to serve increased loads.

The type and size of the parking area impact the costs and feasibility of adding EV charging. Parking structure installations can be less costly than surface lot installations as power may be



readily available, and equipment and wiring can be surface mounted. Parking lot installations often require trenching through concrete or asphalt surface. Large parking areas provide greater flexibility in charger siting than smaller lots.

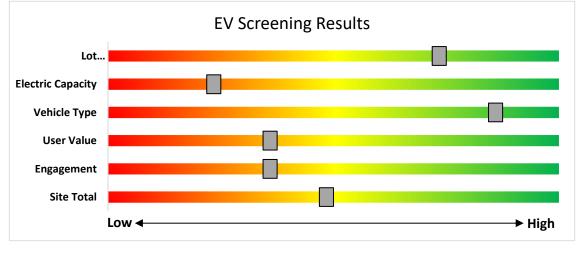
The location and capacity of facility electric panels also impact charger installation costs. A Level 2 charger generally requires a dedicated 208V-240V, 40 Amp circuit. The electric panel nearest the planned installation may not have available capacity and may need to be upgraded to serve new EV charging loads. Alternatively, chargers could be powered from a more distant panel. The distance from the panel to the location of charging stations ties directly to costs, as conduits, cables, and potential trenching costs all increase on a per-foot basis. The more charging stations planned, the more likely it is that additional electrical capacity will be needed.

Other factors to consider when planning for EV charging at a facility include who the intended users are, how long they park vehicles at the site, and whether they will need to pay for the electricity they use. Adding EV charging may have a negative financial impact due to increased electric demand charges.





The graphic below displays the results of the EV charging assessment conducted as part of this audit. The position of each slider indicates the impact each factor has on the feasibility of installing EV charging at the site.



**EV Charger Screening** 

### Electric Vehicle Programs Available

New Jersey is leading the way on electric vehicle (EV) adoption on the East Coast. There are several programs designed to encourage EV adoption in New Jersey, which is crucial to reaching a 100% clean energy future.

NJCEP offers a variety of EV programs for vehicles, charging stations, and fleets. Certain EV charging stations that receive electric utility service from Atlantic City Electric Company (ACE), Public Service Electric and Gas Company (PSE&G) or Jersey Central Power and Light (JCP&L), may be eligible for additional electric vehicle charging incentives directly from the utility. Projects may be eligible for both the incentives offered by this BPU program and incentives offered by ACE, PSE&G or JCP&L, up to 90% of the combined charger purchase and installation costs. Please check ACE, PSE&G or JCP&L program eligibility requirements before purchasing EV charging equipment, as additional conditions on types of eligible chargers may apply for utility incentives.

EV Charging incentive information is available from Atlantic City Electric, PSE&G and JCP&L. For more information and to keep up to date on all EV programs please visit <u>https://www.njcleanenergy.com/commercial-industrial/programs/electric-vehicle-programs</u>



# **TRC PROJECT FUNDING AND INCENTIVES**

Ready to improve your building's performance? New Jersey's Clean Energy Programs and Utility Energy Efficiency Programs can help. Pick the program that works best for you. This section provides an overview of currently available incentive programs in New Jersey.





- New Construction (residential, commercial, industrial, government)
- Large Energy Users

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- Energy Savings Improvement Program (financing)
- State Facilities Initiative\*
- Local Government Energy Audits
- · Combined Heat & Power & Fuel Cells

\*State facilities are also eligible for utility programs

### **Utility Administered Programs**



• HVAC • /

Appliance Recycling



### 9.1 New Jersey's Clean Energy Program

Save money while saving the planet! New Jersey's Clean Energy Program is a statewide program that offers incentives, programs, and services that benefit New Jersey residents, businesses, educational, non-profit, and government entities to help them save energy, money, and the environment.

### Large Energy Users

The Large Energy Users Program (LEUP) is designed to foster self-directed investment in energy projects. This program is offered to New Jersey's largest energy customers. To qualify entities must have incurred at least \$5 million in total energy costs in the prior fiscal year.

### Incentives

Incentives are based on the specifications below. The maximum incentive per entity is the lesser of:

- \$4 million
- 75% of the total project(s) cost
- 90% of total NJCEP fund contribution in previous year
- \$0.33 per projected kWh saved; \$3.75 per projected Therm saved annually

### How to Participate

To participate in LEUP, you will first need submit an enrollment application. This program requires all qualified and approved applicants to submit an energy plan that outlines the proposed energy efficiency work for review and approval. Applicants may submit a Draft Energy Efficiency Plan (DEEP), or a Final Energy Efficiency Plan (FEEP). Once the FEEP is approved, the proposed work can begin.

Detailed program descriptions, instructions for applying, and applications can be found at <u>http://www.njcleanenergy.com/LEUP</u>.



### **Combined Heat and Power**

The Combined Heat & Power (CHP) program provides incentives for eligible CHP or waste heat to power (WHP) projects. Eligible CHP or WHP projects must achieve an annual system efficiency of at least 65% (lower heating value, or LHV), based on total energy input and total utilized energy output. Mechanical energy may be included in the efficiency evaluation.  $\leq$ 

#### Incentives<sup>10</sup>

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Eligible Technology	Size (Installed Rated Capacity)	Incentive (\$/Watt) <sup>5</sup>	% of Total Cost Cap per Project	\$ Cap per Project
CHPs powered by non- renewable or renewable	≤500 kW <sup>1</sup>	\$2.00		
fuel source, or a combination: <sup>4</sup> - Gas Internal	>500 kW - 1 MW <sup>1</sup>	\$1.00	30-40% <sup>2</sup>	\$2 million
Combustion Engine - Gas Combustion Turbine	> 1 MW - 3 MW <sup>1</sup>	\$0.55		
- Microturbine Fuel Cells ≥60%	>3 MW <sup>1</sup>	\$0.35	30%	\$3 million
Fuel Cells ≥40%	Same as above <sup>1</sup>	Applicable amount above	30%	\$1 million
Waste Heat to Power (WHP) <sup>3</sup> Powered by non- renewable fuel source. Heat recovery or other	≤1MW <sup>1</sup>	\$1.00	30%	\$2 million
mechanical recovery from existing equipment utilizing new electric generation equipment (e.g. steam turbine)	> 1MW <sup>1</sup>	\$.50	30%	\$3 million

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Incentives are tiered, which means the incentive levels vary based upon the installed rated capacity, as listed in the chart above. For example, a 4 MW CHP system would receive \$2.00/watt for the first 500 kW, \$1.00/watt for the second 500 kW, \$0.55/watt for the next 2 MW and \$0.35/watt for the last 1 MW (up to the caps listed).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The maximum incentive will be limited to 30% of total project. For CHP projects up to 1 MW, this cap will be increased to 40% where a cooling application is used or included with the CHP system (e.g. absorption chiller).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Projects will be eligible for incentives shown above, not to exceed the lesser of % of total project cost per project cap or maximum \$ per project cap. Projects installing CHP or FC with WHP will be eligible for incentive shown above, not to exceed the lesser caps of the CHP or FC incentive. Minimum efficiency will be calculated based on annual total electricity generated, utilized waste heat at the host site (i.e. not lost/rejected), and energy input. <sup>4</sup> Systems fueled by a Class 1 Renewable Fuel Source, as defined by N.J.A.C. 14:8-2.5, are eligible for a 30% incentive bonus. If the fuel is mixed, the bonus will be prorated accordingly. For example, if the mix is 60/40 (60% being a Class 1 renewable), the bonus will be 18%. This bonus will be included in the final performance incentive payment, based on system performance and fuel mix consumption data. Total incentive, inclusive of bonus, shall not exceed above stipulated caps.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> CHP-FC systems located at Critical Facility and incorporating blackstart and islanding technology are eligible for a 25% incentive bonus. This bonus incentive will be paid with the second/installation incentive payment. Total incentive, inclusive of bonus, shall not exceed above stipulated caps.





You will work with a qualified developer or consulting firm to complete the CHP application. Once the application is approved the project can be installed. Information about the CHP program can be found at <a href="http://www.njcleanenergy.com/CHP">http://www.njcleanenergy.com/CHP</a>.



## Successor Solar Incentive Program (SuSI)

The SuSI program replaces the SREC Registration Program (SRP) and the Transition Incentive (TI) program. The program is used to register and certify solar projects in New Jersey. Rebates are not available for solar projects, but owners of solar projects must register their projects prior to the start of construction to establish the project's eligibility to earn SREC-IIs (Solar Renewable Energy Certificates-II). SuSI consists of two sub-programs. The Administratively Determined Incentive (ADI) Program and the Competitive Solar Incentive (CSI) Program.

### Administratively Determined Incentive (ADI) Program

The ADI Program provides administratively set incentives for net metered residential projects, net metered non-residential projects 5 MW or less, and all community solar projects.

After the registration is accepted, construction is complete, and a complete final as-built packet has been submitted, the project is issued a New Jersey certification number, which enables it to generate New Jersey SREC- IIs.

Market Segments	Size MW dc	Incentive Value (\$/SREC II)	Public Entities Incentive Value - \$20 Adder (\$/SRECII)
Net Metered Residential	All types and sizes	\$90	N/A
Small Net Metered Non-Residential located on Rooftop, Carport, Canopy and Floating Solar	Projects smaller than 1 MW	\$100	\$120
Large Net Metered Non-Residential located on Rooftop, Carport, Canopy and Floating Solar	Projects 1 MW to 5 MW	\$90	\$110
Small Net Metered Non-Residential Ground Mount	Projects smaller than 1 MW	\$85	\$105
Large Net Metered Non-Residential Ground Mount	Projects 1 MW to 5 MW	\$80	\$100
LMI Community Solar	Up to 5 MW	\$90	N/A
Non-LMI Community Solar	Up to 5 MW	\$70	N/A
Interim Subsection (t)	All types and sizes	\$100	N/A

Eligible projects may generate SREC-IIs for 15 years following the commencement of commercial operations which is defined as permission to operate (PTO) from the Electric Distribution Company. After 15 years, projects may be eligible for a NJ Class I REC.

SREC-IIs will be purchased monthly by the SREC-II Program Administrator who will allocate the SREC-IIs to the Load Serving Entities (BGS Providers and Third-Party Suppliers) annually based on their market share of retail electricity sold during the relevant Energy Year.

The ADI Program online portal is now open to new registrations.

### Competitive Solar Incentive (CSI) Program

The CSI Program opened on April 15, 2023, and will serve as the permanent program within the SuSI Program providing incentives to larger solar facilities. The CSI Program is open to qualifying grid supply solar facilities, non-residential net metered solar installations with a capacity greater than five (5) megawatts ("MW"), and to eligible grid supply solar facilities installed in combination with energy storage.





CSI eligible facilities will only be allowed to register in the CSI program upon award of a bid pursuant to N.J.A.C. 14:8-11.10.

The CSI program structure has separate categories, or tranches, to ensure that a range of solar project types, including those on preferred sites, are able to participate despite potentially different project cost profiles. The Board has approved four tranches for grid supply and large net metered solar and an additional fifth tranche for storage in combination with grid supply solar. The following table lists procurement targets for the first solicitation:

Tranche	Project Type	MW (dc) Targets
Tranche 1.	Basic Grid Supply	140
Tranche 2.	Grid Supply on the Built Environment	80
Tranche 3.	Grid Supply on Contaminated Sites and Landfills	40
Tranche 4.	Net Metered Non- Residential	40
Tranche 5.	*Storage Paired with Grid	160 MWh

\*The storage tranche of 160 MWh corresponds to a 4-hour storage pairing of 40 MW of solar

Solar projects help the State of New Jersey reach renewable energy goals outlined in the state's Energy Master Plan.

If you are considering installing solar on your building, visit the following link for more information: <u>https://njcleanenergy.com/renewable-energy/programs/susi-program</u>



Energy Savings Improvement Program

The Energy Savings Improvement Program (ESIP) serves New Jersey's government agencies by financing energy projects. An ESIP is a type of performance contract, whereby school districts, counties, municipalities, housing authorities, and other public and state entities enter contracts to help finance building energy upgrades. Annual payments are lower than the savings projected from the energy conservation measures (ECMs), ensuring that ESIP projects are cash flow positive for the life of the contract.

ESIP provides government agencies in New Jersey with a flexible tool to improve and reduce energy usage with minimal expenditure of new financial resources. NJCEP incentive programs described above can also be used to help further reduce the total project cost of eligible measures.

#### How to Participate

This LGEA report is the first step to participating in ESIP. Next, you will need to select an approach for implementing the desired ECMs:

- (1) Use an energy services company or "ESCO."
- (2) Use independent engineers and other specialists, or your own qualified staff, to provide and manage the requirements of the program through bonds or lease obligations.
- (3) Use a hybrid approach of the two options described above where the ESCO is used for some services and independent engineers, or other specialists or qualified staff, are used to deliver other requirements of the program.

After adopting a resolution with a chosen implementation approach, the development of the energy savings plan can begin. The ESP demonstrates that the total project costs of the ECMs are offset by the energy savings over the financing term, not to exceed 15 years. The verified savings will then be used to pay for the financing.

The ESIP approach may not be appropriate for all energy conservation and energy efficiency improvements. Carefully consider all alternatives to develop an approach that best meets your needs. A detailed program descriptions and application can be found at www.njcleanenergy.com/ESIP.

ESIP is a program delivered directly by the NJBPU and is not an NJCEP incentive program. As mentioned above, you can use NJCEP incentive programs to help further reduce costs when developing the energy savings plan. Refer to the ESIP guidelines at the link above for further information and guidance on next steps.



# **Demand Response (DR) Energy Aggregator**

Demand Response Energy Aggregator is a program designed to reduce the electric load when electric wholesale prices are high or when the reliability of the electric grid is threatened due to peak demand. Grid operators call upon curtailment service providers and commercial facilities to reduce electric usage during times of peak demand, making the grid more reliable and reducing transmission costs for all ratepayers. Curtailment service providers provide regular payments to medium and large consumers of electric power for their participation in DR programs. Program participation is voluntary and participants receive payments whether or not their facility is called upon to curtail its electric usage.

Typically, an electric customer must be capable of reducing their electric demand, within minutes, by at least 100 kW or more in order to participate in a DR program. Customers with greater capability to quickly curtail their demand during peak hours receive higher payments. Customers with back-up generators on site may also receive additional DR payments for their generating capacity if they agree to run the generators for grid support when called upon. Eligible customers who have chosen to participate in DR programs often find it to be a valuable source of revenue for their facility, because the payments can significantly offset annual electric costs.

Participating customers can often quickly reduce their peak load through simple measures, such as temporarily raising temperature setpoints on thermostats (so that air conditioning units run less frequently) or agreeing to dim or shut off less critical lighting. This usually requires some level of building automation and controls capability to ensure rapid load reduction during a DR curtailment event. DR program participants may need to install smart meters or may need to also sub-meter larger energy-using equipment, such as chillers, to demonstrate compliance with DR program requirements.

DR does not include the reduction of electricity consumption based on normal operating practice or behavior. For example, if a company's normal schedule is to close for a holiday, the reduction of electricity due to this closure or scaled-back operation is not considered a DR activity in most situations.

The first step toward participation in a DR program is to contact a curtailment service provider. A list of these providers is available on the website of the independent system operator, PJM, and it includes contact information for each company, as well as the states where they have active business<sup>11</sup>. PJM also posts training materials for program members interested in specific rules and requirements regarding DR activity along with a variety of other DR program information<sup>12</sup>.

Curtailment service providers typically offer free assessments to determine a facility's eligibility to participate in a DR program. They will provide details regarding program rules and requirements for metering and controls, assess a facility's ability to temporarily reduce electric load, and provide details on payments to be expected for participation in the program. Providers usually offer multiple options for DR to larger facilities, and they may also install controls or remote monitoring equipment of their own to help ensure compliance with all terms and conditions of a DR contract.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> <u>http://www.pjm.com/markets-and-operations/demand-response.aspx.</u>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> <u>http://www.pjm.com/training/training-events.aspx.</u>



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#### 9.2 Utility Energy Efficiency Programs

The Clean Energy Act, signed into law by Governor Murphy in 2018, requires New Jersey's investor-owned gas and electric utilities to reduce their customers' use by set percentages over time. To help reach these targets the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities approved a comprehensive suite of energy efficiency programs to be run by the utility companies.

#### Prescriptive and Custom

The Prescriptive and Custom rebate program through your utility provider offers incentives for installing prescriptive and custom energy efficiency measures at your facility. This program provides an effective mechanism for securing incentives for energy efficiency measures installed individually or as part of a package of energy upgrades. This program serves most common equipment types and sizes.

#### Equipment Examples

Lighting	Variable Frequency Drives
Lighting Controls	Electronically Commutate Motors
HVAC Equipment	Variable Frequency Drives
Refrigeration	Plug Loads Controls
Gas Heating	Washers and Dryers
Gas Cooling	Agricultural
Commercial Kitchen Equipment	Water Heating
Food Service Equipment	

The Prescriptive program provides fixed incentives for specific energy efficiency measures. Prescriptive incentives vary by equipment type. The Custom program provides incentives for more unique or specialized technologies or systems that are not addressed through prescriptive incentives.

#### Direct Install

Direct Install is a turnkey program available to existing small to medium-sized facilities with an average peak electric demand that does not exceed 200 kW or less over the recent 12-month period. You work directly with a pre-approved contractor who will perform a free energy assessment at your facility, identify specific eligible measures, and provide a clear scope of work for installation of selected measures. Energy efficiency measures may include lighting and lighting controls, refrigeration, HVAC, motors, variable speed drives, and controls.

#### Incentives

The program pays up to 70% of the total installed cost of eligible measures.

#### How to Participate

To participate in Direct Install, you will work with a participating contractor. The contractor will be paid the measure incentives directly by the program, which will pass on to you in the form of reduced material and implementation costs. This means up to 70% of eligible costs are covered by the Direct Install program, subject to program rules and eligibility, while the remaining percent of the cost is paid to the contractor by the customer.



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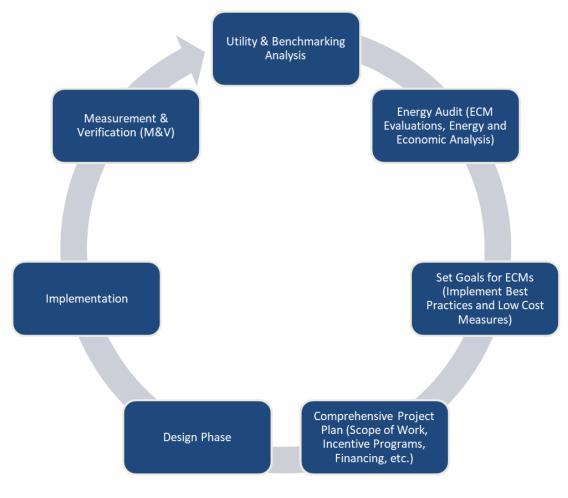
The Engineered Solutions Program provides tailored energy-efficiency assistance and services to municipalities, universities, schools, hospitals, and healthcare facilities (MUSH), non-profit entities, and multifamily buildings. Customers receive expert guided services, including investment-grade energy auditing, engineering design, installation assistance, construction administration, commissioning, and measurement and verification (M&V) services to support the implementation of cost-effective and comprehensive efficiency projects. Engineered Solutions is generally a good option for medium to large sized facilities with a peak demand over 200 kW looking to implement as many measures as possible under a single project to achieve deep energy savings. Engineered Solutions has an added benefit of addressing measures that may not qualify for other programs. Many facilities pursuing an Energy Savings Improvement Program loan also use this program. Incentives for this program are based on project scope and energy savings achieved.

For more information on any of these programs, contact your local utility provider or visit <u>https://www.njcleanenergy.com/transition</u>.



## > TRC 10 PROJECT DEVELOPMENT

Energy conservation measures (ECMs) have been identified for your site, and their energy and economic analyses are provided within this LGEA report. Note that some of the identified projects may be mutually exclusive, such as replacing equipment versus upgrading motors or controls. The next steps with project development are to set goals and create a comprehensive project plan. The graphic below provides an overview of the process flow for a typical energy efficiency or renewable energy project. We recommend implementing as many ECMs as possible prior to undertaking a feasibility study for a renewable project. The cyclical nature of this process flow demonstrates the ongoing work required to continually improve building energy efficiency over time. If your building(s) scope of work is relatively simple to implement or small in scope, the measurement and verification (M&V) step may not be required. It should be noted through a typical project cycle, there will be changes in costs based on specific scopes of work, contractor selections, design considerations, construction, etc. The estimated costs provided throughout this LGEA report demonstrate the unburdened turn-key material and labor cost only. There will be contingencies and additional costs at the time of implementation. We recommend comprehensive project planning that includes the review of multiple bids for project work, incorporates potential operations and maintenance (O&M) cost savings, and maximizes your incentive potential.



Project Development Cycle

### TRC **11 ENERGY PURCHASING AND PROCUREMENT STRATEGIES**

#### 11.1 Retail Electric Supply Options

Energy deregulation in New Jersey has increased energy buyers' options by separating the function of electricity distribution from that of electricity supply. Though you may choose a different company from which to buy your electric power, responsibility for your facility's interconnection to the grid and repair to local power distribution will still reside with the traditional utility company serving your region.

If your facility is not purchasing electricity from a third-party supplier, consider shopping for a reduced rate from third-party electric suppliers. If your facility already buys electricity from a third-party supplier, review and compare prices at the end of each contract year.

A list of licensed third-party electric suppliers is available at the NJBPU website<sup>13</sup>.

#### 11.2 Retail Natural Gas Supply Options

The natural gas market in New Jersey is also deregulated. Most customers that remain with the utility for natural gas service pay rates that are market based and fluctuate monthly. The utility provides basic gas supply service to customers who choose not to buy from a third-party supplier for natural gas commodity.

A customer's decision about whether to buy natural gas from a retail supplier typically depends on whether a customer prefers budget certainty and/or longer-term rate stability. Customers can secure longer-term fixed prices by signing up for service through a third-party retail natural gas supplier. Many larger natural gas customers may seek the assistance of a professional consultant to assist in their procurement process.

If your facility does not already purchase natural gas from a third-party supplier, consider shopping for a reduced rate from third-party natural gas suppliers. If your facility already purchases natural gas from a third-party supplier, review and compare prices at the end of each contract year.

A list of licensed third-party natural gas suppliers is available at the NJBPU website<sup>14</sup>.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> www.state.nj.us/bpu/commercial/shopping.html

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#### APPENDIX A: EQUIPMENT INVENTORY & RECOMMENDATIONS

#### Lighting Inventory & Recommendations

	Existing Conditions						Proposed Conditions									Energy Impact & Financial Analysis							
	Fixture Quantit Y	Fixture Description	Control System	Light Level	Watts per Fixtur e	Annual Operatin g Hours	ECM #	Fixture Recommendation	Add Controls?	Fixture Quantit Y	Fixture Description	Control System	Watts per Fixtur e	Annual Operatin g Hours	Total Peak kW Savings	Total Annual kWh Savings	Total Annual MMBtu Savings	Total Annual Energy Cost Savings	Estimated M&L Cost (\$)	Total Incentives	Simple Payback w/ Incentives in Years		
Greenhouse	2	Linear Fluorescent - T8: 4' T8 (32W) - 2L	Wall Switch	S	62	300	1	Relamp	No	2	LED - Linear Tubes: (2) 4' Lamps	Wall Switch	29	300	0.1	21	0	\$3	\$100	\$20	28.3		



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#### Motor Inventory & Recommendations

		Existin	g Conditions								Proposed Conditions					Energy In	npact & Fir	nancial Ar	nalysis			
Location	Area(s)/System(s) Served	Motor Quantit Y	Motor Application	HP Per Motor	Full Load Efficienc Y	VED	Manufacturer	Model	Remaining Useful Life	Annual Operating Hours	ECM #	Install High Efficienc y Motors?				Total Peak kW Savings	Total Annual kWh Savings		Total Annual Energy Cost Savings		Total Incentives	Simple Payback w/ Incentives in Years
Greenhouse	Evap Cooler	2	Supply Fan	1.50	85.0%	No	Dayton	4C004A	W	100		No	85.0%	No		0.0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Greenhouse	Unit heater	2	Supply Fan	0.15	65.0%	No	<not visible=""></not>	<not visible=""></not>	w	63		No	65.0%	No		0.0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Greenhouse	Pole Motor	1	Other	0.01	65.0%	No	Dayton	4C004A	w	100		No	65.0%	No		0.0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Greenhouse	Unit heater	1	Supply Fan	1.00	85.0%	No	<not visible=""></not>	<not visible=""></not>	W	720		No	85.0%	No		0.0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Greenhouse	Exhaust fan	1	Exhaust Fan	0.30	65.0%	No	<not visible=""></not>	<not visible=""></not>	w	63		No	65.0%	No		0.0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Greenhouse	Pole Motor	1	Other	0.01	65.0%	No	Dayton	4C004A	W	100		No	65.0%	No		0.0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Greenhouse	Unit heater	1	Supply Fan	1.00	85.0%	No	<not visible=""></not>	<not visible=""></not>	w	3,600		No	85.0%	No		0.0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0
Greenhouse	Exhaust fan	1	Exhaust Fan	0.30	65.0%	No	<not visible=""></not>	<not visible=""></not>	W	63		No	65.0%	No		0.0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0

#### Packaged HVAC Inventory & Recommendations

<u></u>																										
Existing Conditions											Proposed Conditions								Energy Impact & Financial Analysis							
Location	Area(s)/System(s) Served	System Quantit y	System Type	Cooling Capacit y per Unit (Tons)	Heating Capacity per Unit (MBh)	Cooling Mode Efficiency (SEER/IEER/ EER)	Heating Mode Efficiency	Manufacturer	Model	Remaining Useful Life	ECM #	Install High Efficienc y System?	System Quantit y	System Type	Cooling Capacit y per Unit (Tons)	Heating Capacity per Unit (MBh)	Cooling Mode Efficiency (SEER/IEER/ EER)	Heating Mode Efficiency	Total Peak kW Savings	kw/b	l Total Annual MMBtu Savings	Total Annual Energy Cost Savings		Total Incentives	Simple Payback w/ Incentives in Years	
Greenhouse	Unit Heater	2	Electric Resistance Heat		25.60		1 COP	Dayton	2YU69	W		No							0.0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0	
Greenhouse	Window Air Conditioner	2	Window AC	0.30		11.00		Alpine	<not visible=""></not>	W		No							0.0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0	
Greenhouse	Unit Heater	1	Unit Heater		101.25		0.81 AFUE	Dayton	32V247	w		No							0.0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0	
Greenhouse	Unit Heater	1	Unit Heater		101.25		0.81 AFUE	Dayton	32V247	w		No							0.0	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0	

#### Plug Load Inventory

	Existin	g Conditions				
Location	Quantit y	Equipment Description	Energy Rate (W)	ENERGY STAR Qualified ?	Manufacturer	Model
Greenhouse	2	Fan (Portable)	100	No		
Greenhouse	2	Fan (Portable)	100	No		
Greenhouse	2	Fan (Portable)	100	No		





# APPENDIX B: ENERGY STAR STATEMENT OF ENERGY PERFORMANCE

Energy use intensity (EUI) is presented in terms of site energy and source energy. Site energy is the amount of fuel and electricity consumed by a building as reflected in utility bills. Source energy includes fuel consumed to generate electricity consumed at the site, factoring in electric production and distribution losses for the region.

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# **APPENDIX C: GLOSSARY**



TERM	DEFINITION
Blended Rate	Used to calculate fiscal savings associated with measures. The blended rate is calculated by dividing the amount of your bill by the total energy use. For example, if your bill is \$22,217.22, and you used 266,400 kilowatt-hours, your blended rate is 8.3 cents per kilowatt-hour.
Btu	<i>British thermal unit</i> : a unit of energy equal to the amount of heat required to increase the temperature of one pound of water by one-degree Fahrenheit.
СНР	Combined heat and power. Also referred to as cogeneration.
СОР	<i>Coefficient of performance</i> : a measure of efficiency in terms of useful energy delivered divided by total energy input.
Demand Response	Demand response reduces or shifts electricity usage at or among participating buildings/sites during peak energy use periods in response to time-based rates or other forms of financial incentives.
DCV	Demand control ventilation: a control strategy to limit the amount of outside air introduced to the conditioned space based on actual occupancy need.
US DOE	United States Department of Energy
EC Motor	Electronically commutated motor
ECM	Energy conservation measure
EER	<i>Energy efficiency ratio</i> : a measure of efficiency in terms of cooling energy provided divided by electric input.
EUI	<i>Energy Use Intensity:</i> measures energy consumption per square foot and is a standard metric for comparing buildings' energy performance.
Energy Efficiency	Reducing the amount of energy necessary to provide comfort and service to a building/area. Achieved through the installation of new equipment and/or optimizing the operation of energy use systems. Unlike conservation, which involves some reduction of service, energy efficiency provides energy reductions without sacrifice of service.
ENERGY STAR	ENERGY STAR is the government-backed symbol for energy efficiency. The ENERGY STAR program is managed by the EPA.
EPA	United States Environmental Protection Agency
Generation	The process of generating electric power from sources of primary energy (e.g., natural gas, the sun, oil).
GHG	<i>Greenhouse gas</i> gases that are transparent to solar (short-wave) radiation but opaque to long-wave (infrared) radiation, thus preventing long-wave radiant energy from leaving Earth's atmosphere. The net effect is a trapping of absorbed radiation and a tendency to warm the planet's surface.
gpf	Gallons per flush





gpm	Gallon per minute
HID	High intensity discharge: high-output lighting lamps such as high-pressure sodium, metal halide, and mercury vapor.
hp	Horsepower
HPS	High-pressure sodium: a type of HID lamp.
HSPF	Heating seasonal performance factor: a measure of efficiency typically applied to heat pumps. Heating energy provided divided by seasonal energy input.
HVAC	Heating, ventilating, and air conditioning
IHP 2014	US DOE Integral Horsepower rule. The current ruling regarding required electric motor efficiency.
IPLV	Integrated part load value: a measure of the part load efficiency usually applied to chillers.
kBtu	One thousand British thermal units
kW	Kilowatt: equal to 1,000 Watts.
kWh	Kilowatt-hour: 1,000 Watts of power expended over one hour.
LED	Light emitting diode: a high-efficiency source of light with a long lamp life.
LGEA	Local Government Energy Audit
Load	The total power a building or system is using at any given time.
Measure	A single activity, or installation of a single type of equipment, that is implemented in a building system to reduce total energy consumption.
МН	Metal halide: a type of HID lamp.
MBh	Thousand Btu per hour
MBtu	One thousand British thermal units
MMBtu	One million British thermal units
MV	Mercury Vapor: a type of HID lamp.
NJBPU	New Jersey Board of Public Utilities
NJCEP	<i>New Jersey's Clean Energy Program:</i> NJCEP is a statewide program that offers financial incentives, programs and services for New Jersey residents, business owners and local governments to help them save energy, money, and the environment.
psig	Pounds per square inch gauge
Plug Load	Refers to the amount of power used in a space by products that are powered by means of an ordinary AC plug.
PV	<i>Photovoltaic:</i> refers to an electronic device capable of converting incident light directly into electricity (direct current).





SEER	Seasonal energy efficiency ratio: a measure of efficiency in terms of annual cooling energy provided divided by total electric input.
SEP	Statement of energy performance: a summary document from the ENERGY STAR Portfolio Manager.
Simple Payback	The amount of time needed to recoup the funds expended in an investment or to reach the break-even point between investment and savings.
SREC (II)	Solar renewable energy credit: a credit you can earn from the state for energy produced from a photovoltaic array.
T5, T8, T12	A reference to a linear lamp diameter. The number represents increments of $1/8^{th}$ of an inch.
Temperature Setpoint	The temperature at which a temperature regulating device (thermostat, for example) has been set.
therm	100,000 Btu. Typically used as a measure of natural gas consumption.
tons	A unit of cooling capacity equal to 12,000 Btu/hr.
Turnkey	Provision of a complete product or service that is ready for immediate use.
VAV	Variable air volume
VFD	Variable frequency drive: a controller used to vary the speed of an electric motor.
WaterSense	The symbol for water efficiency. The WaterSense program is managed by the EPA.
Watt (W)	Unit of power commonly used to measure electricity use.